

IN THE DRAWINGS:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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- 1 2. (Amended) A video signal reproduction device comprising:
 - 2 luminance signal reproduction means for reproducing a
 - 3 luminance signal from a recording medium;
 - 4 first color difference signal reproduction means for reproducing
 - 5 a first color difference signal from the recording medium;
 - 6 second color difference signal reproduction means for
 - 7 reproducing a second color difference signal from the recording medium;
 - 8 color signal encoding means for converting said first color
 - 9 difference signal output from said first color difference signal reproduction
 - 10 means and said second color difference signal output from said second color
 - 11 difference signal reproduction means into a carrier color signal;
 - 12 adding means for adding said luminance signal output from said
 - 13 luminance signal reproduction means and said carrier color signal output
 - 14 from said color signal encoding means, and outputting a composite video
 - 15 signal;
 - 16 a luminance signal output terminal for outputting both said;
 - 17 a first color difference signal output terminal; and
 - 18 a second color difference signal output terminal,

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cont 19 wherein said] luminance signal and said[output terminal is used
20 commonly as a] composite video signal [output terminal].

1 4. (Amended) A video signal recording and reproduction device
2 comprising:

3 a first signal input terminal for inputting a luminance signal;

4 a second signal input terminal for inputting a first color
5 difference signal;

6 a third signal input terminal for inputting a second color
7 difference signal;

8 YC separation means for separating and outputting another
9 luminance signal and a carrier color signal from a composite video signal;
10 and

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12 signal output from said YC separation means, and decoding and outputting
13 another first color difference signal and another second color difference
14 signal;

15 first switching means for inputting said luminance signal input
16 from said first signal input terminal and said another luminance signal output
17 from said YC separation means, and outputting one of said signals input
18 therein;

19 second switching means for inputting said first color difference
20 signal input from said second signal input terminal and said another first
21 color difference signal output by said color difference decoding means, and
22 outputting one of said signals input therein;

23 third switching means for inputting said second color difference
24 signal input from said third signal input terminal and said another second

25 color difference signal output by said color difference decoding means, and
26 outputting one of said signals input therein; and
27 signal switching control means for outputting a signal for
28 switching outputs of said first switching means, said second switching means
29 and said third switching means,
30 wherein one terminal among said first signal input terminal,
31 said second signal input terminal and said third signal input terminal also
32 receives [is used commonly as a] composite video signal[input terminal].

1 5. (Amended) The video signal recording and reproduction
2 device according to claim 4, further comprising switching means connected
3 between said one terminal which also receives said [commonly used as a]
4 composite video signal [input terminal] and an input terminal of said YC
5 separation means, for performing an ON/OFF operation according to said
6 signal output by said signal switching control means.

1 6. (Amended) The video signal recording and reproduction
2 device according to claim 4, wherein said one terminal which also receives
3 said [commonly used as a] composite video signal input terminal is connected
4 directly to an input terminal of said YC separation means.

1 7. (Amended) A video signal recording and reproduction device
2 comprising:
3 a first signal input terminal for inputting a luminance signal;
4 a second signal input terminal for inputting a first color
5 difference signal;
6 a third signal input terminal for inputting a second color

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7 difference signal;

8 YC separation means for separating and outputting another
9 luminance signal and a carrier color signal from a composite video signal;
10 and

11 color difference decoding means for inputting said carrier color
12 signal output from said YC separation means, and decoding and outputting
13 another first color difference signal and another second color difference
14 signal;

15 input signal switching means provided between one terminal
16 [commonly used as a composite video signal input terminal and an input
17 terminal of said YC separation means,] selected from said first signal input
18 terminal, said second signal input terminal and said third signal input
19 terminal[;], said one terminal used for receiving said composite video signal
20 for said YC separation means;

21 switching means for inputting a component video signal input in
22 said one terminal [commonly] used for receiving said [as a] composite video
23 signal [input terminal] and one of an output signal of said YC separation
24 means and an output signal of said color difference decoding means, and
25 outputting one of the signals input therein; and

26 signal switching control means for outputting a signal for
27 switching said input signal switching means and said switching means.

28 [wherein said one terminal among said first signal input
29 terminal, said second signal input terminal and said third signal input
30 terminal is used commonly as a composite video signal input terminal.]

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1 8. (Amended) A video signal recording and reproduction device
2 comprising:

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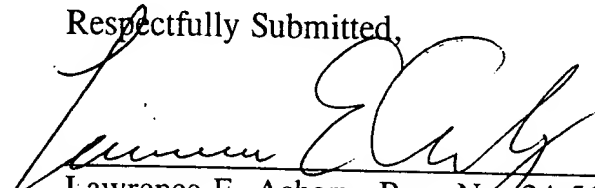
3 a first signal input terminal for inputting a luminance signal;
4 a second signal input terminal for inputting a first color
5 difference signal;
6 a third signal input terminal for inputting a second color
7 difference signal;
8 YC separation means for separating another luminance signal
9 and a carrier color signal from a composite video signal, and outputting said
10 separated signals; and
11 color difference decoding means for inputting said carrier color
12 signal output by said YC separation means, and decoding and outputting
13 another first color difference signal and another second color difference
14 signal;
15 input signal switching means for outputting a signal input in one
16 terminal [commonly used as a] used for receiving said composite video signal
17 input terminal, to one of said YC separation means and video signal
18 recording means, said one terminal is selected from said first signal input
19 terminal, said second signal input terminal and said third signal input
20 terminal; and
21 signal switching control means for outputting a signal for
22 switching said input signal switching means.
23 [wherein said one terminal among said first signal input
24 terminal, said second signal input terminal and said third signal input
25 terminal is used commonly as a composite video signal input terminal.]

1 11. (Amended) The video signal reproduction device
2 according to claim 2, further comprising:
3 first switching means provided between an output terminal of
4 said first color difference signal reproduction means and an input terminal of

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5 said color signal encoding means for turning on and off an output signal of
6 said first color difference signal reproduction means;
7 second switching means provided between an output terminal of
8 said second color difference signal reproduction means and an input terminal
9 of said color signal encoding means for turning on and off an output signal of
10 said second color difference signal reproduction means; and
11 output signal switching control means for controlling said first
12 switching means and said second switching means.

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